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FIELD ACTIVITY

Water Supply (Gerald Heston)

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Delivery of water continues.

Water Sampling (Gerald Heston)

Results from the first week of sampling (except for radionuclides and methane "fingerprinting") are in and are undergoing validation. Preparation and review continue for roll-out of this data according to the proposed schedule. Proposal for next steps being prepared.

LEGAL ISSUES

Nothing to report

COMMUNICATIONS

Yesterday, at the request of House Energy and Commerce (majority) and Senate Environment and Public Works (minority) staff, a follow-up to last Thursday's briefing was held. House Science and Technology (majority) staff also

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participated. Staff had submitted questions in advance, relating to what communications occurred between EPA, PADEP, and Cabot prior to taking action. However, the staff that submitted questions did not join until the very end of the call (though they had requested the time) and those questions remained unaddressed. HS&T staff, who have not previously joined the calls, asked for a quick background and had questions about the levels of substances found, as well as whether it was typical for EPA to act when PADEP had not fully reviewed the spill report data. HS&T staff also requested a copy of the sampling plan, which will be provided. OECA and OSWER also participated.

We are still attempting to schedule a call with Congressman Marino's staff, for which they have requested EPA and PADEP participation. (Jennie Saxe)

A call with PADEP Oil and Gas managers, staff and attorneys has been scheduled next week to follow up on last week's discussions with Cabot. (Kathy Hodgkiss)

Please let us know if you have questions or need more information.

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